

POOR ROBIN, 1687.

AN

# ALMANACK

Of the Old and New Fashion.

WHEREIN

The Reader may behold (scanning it over with  
a Pair of understanding Spectacles) many remarkable things worthy of his choicest Observation.

Containing a twofold KALENDAR;  
First The Julian, or English, and the Roundheads,  
or Penitential, with their several Saints-days, and  
Observations upon every Month.

Written by POOR ROBIN Knight of the  
Garter, and well-wisher to the Mankind.

The Five and twentieth Impression.

We don't predict by our Scourging Art  
Things which are yet to come for to impart.  
Knowing it is a surer way to Rome  
As things are past, than those which are to come.  
Yet for all this we are not quite so silly,  
But know as much as Dade, Pond, or Will Lilly.

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## Understanding Readers.

Gentlemen,

This is now the Twenty fifth Year since first  
began to write Poor Robins Almanack, and if  
you will believe the Book-sellers, it hath been written  
well, whole Maxim is,

That Author above all the rest,

Whose Book sells most, doth write the best.

Whom made old Sparks the Book-seller, to say  
when he was cited into the High-Commission Court  
for printing a Book which Reflected on the Bishop  
My Lord (says he) it is a very good Book, a very  
good Book, it sell wells. Now though I do not de-  
sire to have my Book sell upon any such account, which  
should reflect either upon Church or State, yet may we  
well think there is something in it (besides an ordinary  
account of Days and Months) which gives the Peo-  
ple such content, that they cover it as an hungry Child  
doth Bread and Butter, it being indeed the Harbinger  
of Mirth, and dispeller of Melancholly; which  
being read by Dick in a Winters Evening, with an  
understanding Pair of Spectacles,

Tommy Wife laughs, and the Children stare,

And up Starts an end the Plough-man's Hair;

Jug eife creeps to Joan, and to Bed she'l not go,

For fear of the Carrier, and Robin Goodfellow.

P. R.

The

# The Regal Table.

King and Queen.	and born Anno.	Began to Reign.	Reigned Since.	they M. reigned.	Buried
William Co.	1013	1066 Oct. 14	20	1160 Sept. 9	Canterbury
William	2 1037	1087 Sept. 9	12	1138 Aug. 2	Winchester
Mehry	3 1063	1100 Aug. 2	35	4352 Dec. 1	Reading
Stephen	1105	1127 Dec. 1	18	1133 Oct. 25	Feverham

## The Saxon Line restored.

Henry	2 1132	1134 Oct. 3	35	9498 July 6	Fonteverard
Richard	3 1135	1139 July 6	9	438 April 6	Fonteverard
John	1165	1199 April 9	17	6471 Oct. 19	Worcester
Henry	3 1207	1216 Oct. 19	56	3415 Nov. 16	Westminster
Edward	1 1216	1225 Nov. 16	34	1380 July 1	Westminster
Edward	2 1225	1297 July 7	19	6361 Jan. 25	Gloucester
Edward	3 1225	1326 Jan. 25	51	3310 June 21	Westminster
Richard	2 1306	1327 June 21	22	3238 Sept. 19	Westminster

## The Line of Lancaster.

Henry	4 1367	1367 Sept. 29	13	6274 Mar. 20	Canterbury
Henry	5 1367	1413 Mar. 20	9	5265 Aug. 31	Westminster
Henry	6 1413	1422 Aug. 31	33	6227 March 4	Windsor

## The Line of York.

Edward	4 1442	1460 March 4	23	1204 April 9	Winchester
Edward	5 1471	1483 April 9	8	2104 June 21	Northdown
Richard	3 1483	1485 June 22	10	2102 Aug. 22	Leicester

## The Families United.

Henry	7 1465	1485 Aug. 22	23	16178 Apr. 21	Westminster
Henry	8 1492	1509 Apr. 21	17	10139 June 21	Windsor
Edward	6 1537	1546 Jan. 28	6	3134 July 6	Westminster
Q. Mary	1518	1553 July 6	5	4129 Nov. 17	Westminster
Q. Eliz.	1533	1558 Nov. 17	44	2131 March 12	Westminster

## The Union of the Two Kingdoms.

J. James	1 1566	1602 Mar. 24	22	062 March 27	Westminster
Charles 1	1600	1625 Mar. 24	23	4119 Jan. 30	Windsor
Charles 2	1619	1648 Jan. 30	38	03 Feb. 6	Westminster
James	2 1633	1651 Febr. 1	18	Whom God	Jan. long to Reign.

He who sits upon thron, the like would do,  
To th King of Kings, could be come at him row

# A Table of Interest at 6 per cent.

	1 Mon.	3 Mon.	6 Mon.	9 Mon.	A Year
100	1	3	6	9	36
200	2	6	12	18	72
300	3	9	18	27	108
400	4	12	24	36	144
500	5	15	30	45	180
600	6	18	36	54	216
700	7	21	42	63	252
800	8	24	48	72	288
900	9	27	54	81	324
1000	10	30	60	90	360

Thus do you see that Coin begetteth Coin,  
 When Unters Bags with Scriveners Bonds do joyne  
 The Child of five score pound at one year  
 It is six pounds of money ready to hand  
 For as much as may be sooner done,  
 The Duke of Monmouth & was beheaded for Treason  
 April 23.  
 Gracious Queen Mary, Crowned at Westminster  
 the illustrious King James the second, and his  
 King Charles the second, and his  
 the Duke of York, and his  
 the Duke of Gloucester, and his  
 the Duke of Devonshire, and his  
 the Duke of Albemarle, and his  
 the Duke of Somerset, and his  
 the Duke of Beaufort, and his  
 the Duke of Devonshire, and his  
 the Duke of Albemarle, and his  
 the Duke of Somerset, and his  
 the Duke of Beaufort, and his



# A brief Chronology of memorable things.

1657	A	1608	Q	1608	d	1608	e	1608	i	
										the Creation of the World, 5593
										the Deluge of Noah Flood, 4024
										Julius Caesar conquered Britain, 1534
										England received the Christian Faith, 147
										the Conquest of England by Duke William, 620
										King Henry the Eighth won Britain, 151
										the Royal Exchange was built, 121
										the Spanish Invasion in 88, 19
										the Powder Plot, 1605
										King Charles the first Crowned, 1625
										the Duke of Buckingham murdered, 1628
										the Birth of King Charles the Second, 1629
										the Birth of our Royal Sovereign King James the 1 <sup>st</sup> , 1603
										the Loyal Lord Strafford beheaded, 1641
										Reverend Bishop Laud murdered, 1645
										King Charles the First barbarously murdered, 1649
										the Noble Lord Capel murdered, 1627
										that brave Son of Mars, Montrose was murdered, 1650
										Reverend Dr. Hewitt was murdered, 1633
										the happy Restoration of King Charles the Second, 1660
										the Kings Judges were Judged and Executed, 1660
										King Charles the Second Crowned at Westminster, 1660
										the Great Plague in London which consumed 68,846 persons, 1665
										London almost consumed by Fire, 1666
										the illustrious Dutchess of York died, 1672
										600 Houses burnt in Southwark, 1676
										the Lord Stafford beheaded, 1679
										the last great Comet, 1680
										the Morocco Ambassador came into England, 1681
										the 13 weeks Fright with a kind of a Fast on the Thames, 1682
										King Charles the Second departed this life, 1685
										the illustrious King James the Second, and his Gracious Queen Mary, Crowned at Westminster, 1689
										April 23.
										the Duke of Monmouth & Argyle beheaded for Treason, 1685

# A brief Chronology of other things.

Since the burning of the world by Phaeon.	418
Since Men first wore Night-caps.	468
Since the rare invention of Cuckold-making.	498
Since the Plunkers hung at Banbury.	561
Since Ovid lay with Corinna.	561
Since Mall Cut-purse floored him.	47
Since the Hog-faced Gentlewoman came into England.	39
Since Oliver departed the world in a Hurricane.	39
Since the first putting of Toats in Drink.	587
Since Tobacco and the Pox was first invented.	118
Since Hugh-Peters went to Heaven in a firing.	27
Since Crispin and Crispian's Tempst and Incense.	903
Since President Bradshaw cheated the Hangman and died in his Bed.	18
Since the Gallows was arrayed in mourning for him.	28
Since the thing called a Committee of Safety.	28
Since Alderman Hoyle hanged himself.	32
Since the Hartford-shire Fiddler kept his Christmas in Hell.	49
Since the chargeable invention of wearing Cloaths.	515
Since the Rump left riding us.	527
Since the Lord Historiographer Shooer.	144
Since Gaffer, Colonel Lord Desborough held the Plough.	45
Since the first invention of Christmas Pie.	186
Since Women wore Farthingales.	57
Since Trunk-Breeches were first invented.	104
Since the famous Bull at Colchester.	39
Since the great Giant came into England.	27
Since the Horse-faced Toller killed by Count Serini.	35
Since Lucius Apuleius was turned into an Ass.	102
Since Black Monday.	42
Since Cromwell, Bradshaw, and Ireton went in procession together to Tyburn.	27
Since the wife Ait for Marriage by Just-ices.	19
Since the Turkish Alcham was translated into English for the use of the Rump.	28
Since Major Barber surprized Jibby-Horser.	38
Since the Isle of Pines was first found out and inhabited.	21

## A brief Chronology of other things.

Since Doctor Faustus eat a load of Hay.  
 Since the Flying Serpent at Ashburton on the Mount.  
 Since Fryer ~~butcher~~ made a bargain Head to Head.  
 Since the Dutch Maid taken a Year and odd days.  
 Since the Smith of Malandant would needs purchase an

Almanack that had never a lie in it.

1. Query whether the Seller did not sit him, selling this long Paper Book of that bluntness.
2. Query, That that Paper Book was not like a Woman, for a Woman is full of words, and that Book had never a word in it.

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# January hath xxxi. days

New Moon the 9 day 1/2 minutes past 11 o'clock  
 First quarter the 16 day 1/2 minutes past 1 o'clock  
 Full Moon the 23 day 1/2 minutes past 1 o'clock  
 Last quarter the 30 day 1/2 minutes past 1 o'clock

1	New Years day	The Cardinals wear the white habit	1
2	St. Stephen	And the Clergy the black habit	2
3	St. John	The Bishops and Prelates the red habit	3
4	St. Innocent	The Earth clad in a Green of Beasts	4
5	St. Simon	Heavens Archer arrows dash the Sun	5
6	St. Helix	And with his fire, burneth the Snow	6
7	St. Basil	And Capricorn glazeth the Floods	7
8	St. Vlac	And with frosts the fields are bed	8
9	St. Agnes	And with a Snowy Perming	9
10	St. Andrew	The Sun doth shine as in the cold	10
11	St. Thomas	Which our Penitence can not hold	11
12	St. Agnes	Which hath a full face of light	12
13	St. Valentin	Which is the day for the young men	13
14	St. Blasius	Which is the day for the young men	14
15	St. Agnes	Which is the day for the young men	15
16	St. Thomas	Which is the day for the young men	16
17	St. Agnes	Which is the day for the young men	17
18	St. Valentin	Which is the day for the young men	18
19	St. Blasius	Which is the day for the young men	19
20	St. Agnes	Which is the day for the young men	20
21	St. Thomas	Which is the day for the young men	21
22	St. Agnes	Which is the day for the young men	22
23	St. Valentin	Which is the day for the young men	23
24	St. Blasius	Which is the day for the young men	24
25	St. Agnes	Which is the day for the young men	25
26	St. Thomas	Which is the day for the young men	26
27	St. Agnes	Which is the day for the young men	27
28	St. Valentin	Which is the day for the young men	28
29	St. Blasius	Which is the day for the young men	29
30	St. Agnes	Which is the day for the young men	30
31	St. Thomas	Which is the day for the young men	31

### Observations on January.

Bright, like the north-east sun, his full forehead's glow was  
Through the deep white banner of his hair, and his eyes  
The flicker of a golden gleam, the flash, the noon-day  
And the deep blue of the sky, the blue of the sky.

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## February hath xxviii. days.

New Moon the 2 day, 13 minutes past 6 in the morning.  
 First quarter the 8 day, 38 minutes past midnight.  
 Full Moon the 17 day, 26 minutes past 7 in the morning.  
 Last quarter the 25 day, 2 minutes past 4 in the morning.

S D M T W T F	Saints days.	Signs	The Day are lengthen'd now an Inch, But yet cold Weather still doth pinch, Which makes men never to desire, Strong Beer and Ale, and a good Fire, Than in the Fields pastime to make, At Stool-hall, or at Barley-brook. Now Pisces run, the fealy Star, That ends the Circuit of the Year, Which with Prognosticate we say, Much Pan-cakes Eat on the eighth Day, As also where shall store of Cakes By Trentices then sufficiency, To make Cock-broath, that Wives bestow On Fickle Husbands, who can't do Lampers first Harvest now with end, When Ojens they much money spend, By subtle Tricks, and cunning Wiles Of John a Noaks and John a Styles, Two well known Blades, always at Law, Which money to the Lawyers draw, But Lads and Lasses would rapine Should not forget St. Valentine, When young men do present their Lovers, With Scarfs, with Ribbons, & with Gloves And to show manners not forget all, Give them a lick under the Spot-gall, Then one a Curfy dop. anon And smiling says, 'I thanke thee John.
1	d Bridget. Fast	legs	
2	c Candlem. d.	legs	
3	f Blase Bishop	feet	
4	g Gilbert Cor.	feet	
5	a Agathy	head	
6	b Shrove Sund.	head	
7	c Zacharias	Neck	
8	d Shrove Tued.	Neck	
9	e Ash-wednesday	arms	
10	f C. Burleigh m.	and	
11	g Euphrosine	should	
12	a Term ends	breast	
13	b 1 Sun. in Lent	breast	
14	c Valentine	heart	
15	d Faulcon	and	
16	e Julian Virg.	back	
17	f Constance	bowel	
18	g Simeon	bowels	
19	a Sabine	reins	
20	b 2 Sun. in Lent	reins	
21	c 59 Martyrs	secrets	
22	d Peters Chair	secrets	
23	e Polycarp. Fast	secrets	
24	f Mathias Ap.	thighs	
25	g Victorine	thighs	
26	a Nestor	knees	
27	b 3 Sun. in Lent	knees	
28	c Oswald B. Y.	legs	



# Observations on February.

This Month is commonly dirty and cold,  
Which makes both Wood and Coal the dearer Sold,  
But he who doth go Gold n<sup>r</sup> Silver Sick,  
May at the Tavern heat his Nose with Sack.

D	Sinner.	Sun r.	Sun f.	On the 7 and 8 days of this Month is like to be
1	Madg Howlet	7 16	4 44	a very comfortable smell
2	Harry Martin	7 14	4 46	of Pancakes and Fritters.
3	Jane Shore	7 12	4 48	Some men shall have a
4	Knave of Clubs	7 10	4 50	Talley of every mans fall-
5	Pancakes and Fritters	7 8	4 52	ings, but their own, hang-
6	now hold sack,	7 6	4 54	ing at their Girdle, and
7	And Cocks by hand-	7 4	4 56	shall be readier to commit
8	reds go to wrack.	7 2	4 58	ten faults than to mend
9	Mother Bunch	7 0	5 0	one. The nights are still
10	Du Vall	6 58	5 2	cold and long, which may
11	Hannam	6 56	5 4	cause great conjunctions
12	Some men by lot draw	6 54	5 6	betwixt the Male and Fe-
13	Lasses fine,	6 52	5 8	male Planets of our sub-
14	And some draw Jone	6 50	5 10	lunary Orb, the effects
15	for Valentine.	6 48	5 12	whereof may be lectu-
16	German Princess	6 46	5 14	bout nine Months after,
17	Palquil	6 44	5 16	& portend great changes
18	Saturday Jack	6 42	5 18	of Midwife, Nurse, and
19	Bricklayers of So-ho	6 40	5 20	naming the Banling, with
20	Dismers Page	6 38	5 22	other matters attendant on such
21	No man sings so merry	6 36	5 24	Conjunctions. These dark
22	a note.	6 34	5 26	nights shall make well for
23	As be who cannot	6 32	5 28	Heedors, who shall quarrel in
24	change a Groat.	6 30	5 30	the Streets with Drunkards,
25	Robin Hood	6 28	5 32	and so steal Hairs and
26	Little John	6 26	5 34	Peekes, chusing rather to
27	Simon	6 24	5 36	rich, pacy or pimp, than to
28		6 22	5 38	take any honest course for a

March hath xxxi. days.

New Moon the 3<sup>rd</sup> day 12 minutes past 10 in the forenoon  
First quarter the 8<sup>th</sup> day 40 minutes past 9 at night  
Full moon the 15<sup>th</sup> day 12 minutes past midnight  
Last quarter the 20<sup>th</sup> day 47 minutes past 10 in the forenoon

St. David	feet	Is it thy Body we not shall	1
Chad Bish	feet	This Month for Physick discontinue	2
Elias P. M.	feet	But thou a Doctor wilt be Art	3
H. Hilde	head	Not Quackery coming in by thine Art	4
Michael	head	Who sold of skill and cunning Art	5
Michael	neck	Here paid for Murders which they do	6
Adam	neck	Doing ignorant, a very fool	7
Adam	neck	By only fill a Close Seal	8
Oprand	arms	Imposters that do Pack to live	9
C. Capers	and	To sick, thereby themselves to live	10
John in Africa	should	Who by their Plasters oft make more	11
Gregory	breast	Deeper wounds than will be fore	12
Oliver R. M.	breast	Such Quack, thy Body will more	13
Patron Sund	heart	And you keep Quack in thy Power	14
Leo Bish	and	Unless thou hast a very Scold	15
Longinus	back	Who sleep nor wake her tongue can hold	16
Montface	bowels	And thou wouldst with all thy Heart	17
Patrick B. C.	bowels	From such her Quackery longer part	18
Edward K. M.	reins	Choose such a one for thy Physick	19
Joseph H. M.	and	His skill will better thy condition	20
John Sunday	loins	And if his Physick be the best	21
Benick	secrets	See never more shall food nor sleep	22
Paulinus	secrets	For thy the Poisons he doth send	23
Theodore	thighs	Or Sworn on Nature to her end	24
Thomas	thighs	And is as quick as his dispatch	25
William	hips	His Tyburnian Quack, John	26
William	hips	And if so be thou live in the World	27
William	hips	Let them not Tamper with her Life	28
William	hips	For although had Wives we may have	29
William	hips	Yet good Wives in most nations are	30
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# Observations on March.

Now Sons of Mars do march out of their Garrison  
into the Field armed with their War Capabilities  
The Trumpets sound and the roaring Drums do back  
And Soldiers exult again a while

1	Now Taffy with	46	19	4	41	There will be great
2	Leek this day	46	17	8	43	Prading this Month at
3	St. Stephen's	46	15	8	45	London for Officers and
4	Mid-yester	46	13	8	47	the better to augment
5	Madam Croswell	46	11	8	49	the Common Council
6	Committee of Safety	46	9	8	51	Wives of Billingsgate have
7	Merry Andrew	46	7	8	53	by a Statute declared, that
8	Hobson the Carrier	46	5	8	55	every Bull of Offense
9	Pye-croft & Butler	46	3	8	57	Man be added a box
10	James Taylor	46	1	8	59	of the Ear. Many people shall
11	Cambridge Bells	46	30	6	61	go to Prison this March for
12	Maffanello	46	28	6	63	lying which you will find
13	Holy Muft of Kent	46	26	6	65	is very hard, but the truth
14	Mulla sack and bag	46	24	6	67	they promising to pay
15	Lord Alcebold	46	22	6	69	honey at foot's time, and now
16	Excellence Lord	46	20	6	71	doing it, as usual
17	Gainst a Gold	46	18	6	73	carry in fellow
18	Gregory Clement	46	16	6	75	the new
19	Perkin Warbeck	46	14	6	77	which is now
20	George & Green	46	12	6	79	Prison, from whence
21	Mother damnable	46	10	6	81	cannot be delivered without
22	Ludlow the Levelle	46	8	6	83	the help of
23	Jack Cade	46	6	6	85	since now will use
24	Servant provid again	46	4	6	87	Verue, for
25	Quarrier day	46	2	6	89	zen to bear with
26	Of the Turn out	46	31	5	91	while he is bearing
27	Landlord's day	46	29	5	93	that man. If some
28	Diagor as	46	27	5	95	do not eye this
29	William Rumbold	46	25	5	97	in Europe, Asia, or
30	Dedalus	46	23	5	99	of America, Let them
31	Copernicus	46	21	5	101	Tobacco with Ezra

# April hath xxx. days.

New Moon the 2 day, 8 minutes past 2 in the Morning  
 First quarter the 9 day, 25 minutes past 2 in the afternoon  
 Full Moon the 17 day, 18 minutes past 2 in the afternoon  
 Last quarter the 24 day, 2 minutes past 4 in the afternoon

1	g	Theodor	head	New fyde April in his trim,
2	a	Mary Egypt	head	Put Vigour into every thing,
3	2	Low-Sunday	Neck	And by salt of silver showers,
4	c	Ambrose	Neck	Deck the Earth with various Flowers.
5	d	Vincent	arms	The Black-bird, Thrush, and Nightingale,
6	e	Egehiopus	arms	Chant forth in each Wood and Vale,
7	f	Perpetuus	breast	And the Cucke's song doth border
8	g	Dionysius	and	Much upon the forked order.
9	a	Valerian	nomak	Toasting Irans and Warming pants,
10	2	Sun in Taurus	heart	Are now left off; Tapsters in Cans
11	c	Leo	heart	Do fill their dink, whilst Nick and Froth
12	d	Julian Bishop	bowels	Does make them look like men of worth
13	e	Term begins	and	This being now the pleasant Spring,
14	f	Tiburtius	belly	Young Folke do love like any thing.
15	g	Olympia	reins	Burdens made of soft and gentle
16	a	Isidore Bishop	reins	Of joy, and pain, in dock and nettle:
17	2	after Easter	secrets	Is hath some sweet, but far more sorrow
18	c	Valerian	secrets	stimulus of joy, but of grief, hours
19	d	Alphege Bish	thighs	A painful pleasure, pleasing pain,
20	e	Sulpicius	thighs	A gainful loss, a losing gain,
21	f	Anselm B. C	knees	A bitter sweet, easing disease,
22	g	Emanuel	knees	A cool fresh stream, yet salt as sea,
23	a	St. George	knees	It with a thousand darts abounds
24	2	after Easter	legs	That to the heart gives deadly wound,
25	c	Mark Evang	legs	And therefore friends take my advice
26	d	Gregus	feet	Love none but Vertuous, Rich, and Wise
27	e	Anasth	feet	For they be only happy prove,
28	f	Marinus Mar	head	Who love what most deserves their love
29	g	C. Rufus m	head	
30	a	Erkenwald	beck	

# Observations on April.

The Citizens Trumpeter the Cuckow, he  
Chants forth his ditty now with melodie,  
Of Cords and Cream then let him have his choice,  
Lest he grow hoarse, and so do lose his voice.

1 Fryer Bacon	5 14 6 46	This is a very Fickle
2 Owen Rowe.	5 12 6 48	Month, and therefore no
3 Doctor Faustus	5 10 6 50	more like a constant
4 Who will a pudding	5 8 6 52	Month than an Apple is like
5 ties a Dog,	5 6 6 54	an Oyster. Many People
6 He will ease him	5 4 6 56	shall be desirous to Mar-
7 of that Clog	5 2 6 58	ry, but when they have a
8 Dan. Broughton	5 0 7 0	Wife know no more what
9 Gregory Hangman	4 58 7 2	to do with her, than a
10 Paccoler	4 56 7 4	Taylor know how to make
11 John Lilburn	4 54 7 6	a Horse-shoe. We may
12 Frank the Fidler	4 52 7 8	expect good growing Wea-
13 A busy time,	4 50 7 10	ther this M. but no place bear
14 Now the green Bag	4 49 7 11	so well as the Midwife's
15 about Westminster	4 47 7 13	Bed. The M. part of Qua-
16 Half doth wag.	4 45 7 15	kers shall have their chief re-
17 Collier of Croyden	4 43 7 17	courte to Coffee-houses, because
18 John Berkhead	4 41 7 19	they have made such Houses
19 Miles Corber	4 39 7 21	part of their Religion, not to
20 John Okey	4 38 7 22	drink to any body. But was
21 Sir Giles Gole-cap	4 36 7 24	Quakers shall resort to the Ale-
22 Long Meg of West.	4 34 7 26	houses, is the more proper place
23 Who better musick can	4 32 7 28	to elevate his brain-sick facul-
24 devise?	4 30 7 30	ties. Some body will be asking
25 For now wave horns	4 28 7 32	of mischief this Month, but
26 the Cuckow cries	4 27 7 33	when it comes to be examin-
27 Tom Tell troth	4 25 7 35	ed, it was No body that does
28 Hewson the Cobler	4 23 7 37	There is no better medicine in
9 Pope Jone	4 22 7 38	the world, let Parson say what
30 Patient Grizell	4 20 7 40	he will, than Wormwood and a

# May hath xxxi.

New Moon the 1 day, 40 minutes past noon.

First quarter the 9 day, 55 minutes past 7 in the morning.

Full Moon the 17 day, 4 minutes past 2 in the morning.

Last quarter the 23 day, 12 minutes past 8 at night.

New moon the 30 day 24 minutes after midnight.

1	T	Roga. Sunday	Neck	Of all the Months May is the prime,
2	e	Athanasius	arms	The most delightful pleasant Time:
3	d	Invent. Cross	and	New Nature opens her Treasury
4	e	Florian	should	The Larks and Meads is heavenly,
5	f	Ascension d.	breast	More Colours are met in Heavens bow,
6	g	John Bapt. Lat	breast	' has for dark on the Earth before,
7	a	St. John of B.	heart	The Birds do fly forth Tell to Tree,
8	b	6 after Easter	heart	Counting their notes melodious,
9	c	Term ends	bowels	Each Plant and Tree is just as strong,
10	d	Gordian	and	The days of Temperate Heat and length:
11	e	Sun in Gem	belly	Ladies for pleasure do resort
12	f	L. Strafford m	veins	Unto Hyde Park, and Tottenham Court,
13	g	Sernatus	veins	People to Moor-Fields flock in flocks
14	a	Isidore	secrets	At Nine-pins, and at Pigeon-holes,
15	b	Whit Sunday	secrets	The Country Lasses passim mad
16	c	Whit Monday	secrets	As Stool ball, and at Hurley-break,
17	d	Whit Tuesday	high	And years then they pass time away
18	e	Potencius	high	At Wrestling and at Foot ball play,
19	f	Bernard	toes	At Whistontide the People run
20	g	Ellis Reg.	toes	To Hogdon and to Islington.
21	a	Julian Virg.	eggs	What's Calfards, Cherr-cokes, Pansies and
22	b	Trin. Sunday	eggs	Are set on Tables and on Stools,
23	c	Trin. Franc.	feet	And as they do return, it may be
24	d	Adelme B.	feet	Roger dash at Rachel with Holly,
25	e	Urban	head	Who takes it kindly without pass
26	f	Beate	head	Is hays all Green Grass in the Grass,
27	g	Term begins	ick	And that's the cause, though much this
28	a	German	and	Thou Maids prove Whores, & after Harlots,
29	b	Carol. II. Nat.	throat	
30	c	Petronel	arms	
31	d	Wigandus	arms	



# Observations on May.

This is a new month, when Days are short and  
 Why then, young Men, are you to life young Men  
 But for old Men, as you are, it is a time  
 They either do want Beauty, or else Care.

1	Is Cambridgeshire	138	7	New the Sun shines
2	They are the best	139	7	Warren, which is the
3	Warren, which is the	140	7	makest thou grass to
4	They are the best	141	7	grow, and makest the
5	Dirty Doll	142	7	Cow to have full corn
6	Bessy Kille	143	7	and full feed her
7	Esquire Dick	144	7	to give her a good
8	Tommy Dick	145	7	and give her a good
9	Dirty Dick	146	7	and give her a good
10	Blabla	147	7	and give her a good
11	Marble the cat	148	7	will make it clear
12	Gamgus	149	7	All this you will say
13	When Chickens grow	150	7	good news, to make
14	On Cherry trees	151	7	to them who have
15	Shall we build our	152	7	the more, for what
16	Stronger myself	153	7	what is the most could
17	Will Low	154	7	buy a Cheese for a
18	Will Goff	155	7	or, if he have a
19	Squire Ketch	156	7	and with that to do
20	Dick Tarleton	157	7	weddings, and more
21	Dick of the Cow	158	7	but the people could
22	Huffing Dick	159	7	and with a fish on
23	Comical Dick	160	7	each, to be a
24	Da Val	161	7	Was tall, a Her
25	Blew Beard	162	7	and to a
26	My by experience	163	7	a Clownish Owl
27	Plainly see	164	7	red Bopen
28	Fate will reward it	165	7	Tier, Albeit with
29	Honestly	166	7	dimen, that a
30	Tybert the Cat	167	7	full of
31	Desperate Dick	168	7	better to

# June hath xxx days.

First Quarter the 7. day, 561 min. past midnight.  
Full Moon the 15. day, 30. min. past 10. in the forenoon.  
Last Quarter the 21. day, 521 min. past midnight.  
New Moon the 29. day, 19. min. past 1. afternoo.

1	Nicodemus	breast	Thou shalt be all things, & contrary
2	Marcadine	breast	From what is done in January
3	Reginus	heart	Then it is most men's whole desire
4	Personius	and	For is fit always by a fire
5	After Trin.	back	But now for coynesse they take harbor
6	Claudius	bowels	Under the shade of a green Arbor.
7	Robert Ab.	bowels	Then boys on Ice slide to get bear.
8	W. H. M.	scins	Now into Ponds to wash of sweat.
9	Tam. of Ed.	and	January Frost, Snow, and hail yields.
10	Margaret	loynes	Now flowers and daisies deck the fields.
11	S. Barnabas	secrets	Then is day short, and long the night.
12	After Trin.	secrets	Now night short, and day long, and
13	Anthony	thighs	In January men do play
14	Basil Mag.	thighs	At Cards and Dice their time away
15	Jer. i. ch. 20	knees	Now Men and Maids do merry make
16	P. Henric	knees	At foot-ball, and at Bally-break.
17	Barolp. ab.	legs	Then is the bellies christening
18	Marcus	legs	On salted Pork, and powder'd Beef
19	4 after Trin.	feet	Now what the belly most consumes
20	Gervale	feet	In Floun, Feols, Custards, and the like
21	Walburg	head	In January men do go
22	S. Albany	and	And whistled up from top to toe
23	Ethelfred	face	Now member is so warm and hot
24	S. John Bap.	neck	That naked men desire no cloth
25	Amphilbalus	neck	In January no Cherries be
26	5 After Trin.	arms	Now they hang ripe upon the Tree
27	7 Sleepers	arms	And last of all men do consume
28	Leo. Pst.	breast	In January was born June
29	Peter Apost.	and	
30	Conv. of Paul	stom.	

## Observations on June.

The Sun is cut d now into the Crab,  
And days are hot, therefore beware a Drab;  
With French diseases they'l your body fill,  
Being such as bring grists unto the Surgeons mill.

1	Mugleton	3 42	8 18	It is said that a Woman
2	Simon Main	3 42	8 18	doth partcipate of th
3	The Sun doth now	3 42	8 18	nature of two Beasts and
4	send forth such heat,	3 41	8 19	two Birds; and of the
5	Those who work hard	3 41	8 19	names of two Fishes and
6	May chance to sweat.	3 41	8 19	two Planes. Of the two
7	Dunghills so stink	3 41	8 19	Beasts, to be starely as
8	They may be smelt,	3 41	8 19	the Lyon, and playing
9	And Butter at	3 41	8 19	with her Tail like a
10	The fire will melt.	3 41	8 19	Cat; of the Birds, to
11	Sir Fopling Flutter	3 41	8 19	be proud like the Phe
12	Sir Henry Vane	3 41	8 19	cock, and chattering
13	C. Claukey	3 41	8 19	like the Jay, and of the
14	Now Cards and Cream	3 41	8 19	names of two Fishes,
15	Do come in season,	3 41	8 19	Carp and Pout; and of
16	Cherries, Straw-berries	3 41	8 19	two Plants, Rue and
17	And green Peason.	3 41	8 19	Sullen-wood. Now with
18	Pantagruel	3 41	8 19	so many Love-Letters be
19	Fryer Tuck	3 42	8 18	written as will make Pape
20	Old Areyle	3 42	8 18	be very scarce and dear, if
21	Young Argile	3 42	8 18	Solicitors and Petitioners
22	Loggetheads	3 43	8 17	to not petition against it
23	Tim Featherbrain	3 44	8 16	Now if you would know
24	Such laziness	3 44	8 16	wether to go for severs
25	In some doers lurk,	3 45	8 15	sorts of belly timber, I shall
26	That they had rather	3 46	8 14	inform you, to Devon-sh.
27	Sleep than work.	3 47	8 13	for Walte-Pots, to Essex
28	Tantabillus	3 48	8 12	for Yeal, to North for
29	Ware Ewar	3 49	8 11	Dumplings, to Tenbury
30	Queen of Morroco	3 50	8 10	for Mustard, to Derby for
				Cheese, and to Dorset for
				Ale.

# July hath xxxi. days.

First Quarter the 7. day, 51. min. past 4. in the afternoon.  
Full Moon the 14. day, 24. min. past 6. in the afternoon.  
Last Quar. the 21. day, 12. min. past 8. in the morning.  
New Moon the 29. day, 4. min. past 4. in the morning.

1. S. Romwald B.	heart	Viva voce docet, quivis & voce
2. S. Vifir. & Mary	heart	(doct)
3. C. Ashton m.	bowels	He with a lively voice doth preach, Whose life as well as voyes doth teach
4. C. Vricus	and	
5. S. Tom. Chal. m.	belly	Si nihil otuleris, ibis Homere foras, If Homer nothing wab him bring, Then without doors he may go sing.
6. S. Sexburga Q.	reins	
7. I. Demetrius	reins	
8. S. Chilian	secrets	Italian Proverb.
9. S. Cyrill Bishop.	secrets	
10. S. Ger. & Vo. m.	highs	Chi Asini cacciate donne inena, Non è mai senza guai & pena. Who drives an Ass, and lends a Whore, Hath ail and sorrow evermore.
11. S. Jun in Leo	and	La lingua non ha osso. Ma fa rompere il dolo. The Tongue is boneless, yet doth make The broken backbone oft to ake.
12. S. Henry	hipps	
13. S. Margaret	knees	
14. S. Bonavent.	knees	
15. S. Swithis B.	legs	
16. S. Osmond	legs	
17. S. Dr. Levins m.	feet	Stultitiam simulare loco prudentia (summa.
18. S. Rosina	feet	Sometimes the fool to play, In wisdom great they say.
19. S. Dog days beg.	head	
20. S. Alexius	head	
21. I. Daniel	neck	Cinque hore dorme un' vlandante, Sette, un' studiante, non ogni furfante A traveller: five hours doth crave For sleep, a Student seven will have, And nine sleep every idle Knave.
22. S. Mary Mag.	neck	
23. S. Apollinaris	arms	
24. S. 9 after Trin.	arms	
25. S. James Ap.	breast	
26. S. Anna	and	Nec jacet in molli veneranda Scientia (lecto.
27. S. 7 Sleepers	Stomac	Venerable science with his gray head I never found on a soft Feather-bed.
28. S. Sampson B.	heart	
29. S. Martha Virg.	heart	
30. S. Abdon	bowels	
31. S. 10 after Trin.	bowels	

# Observations on July.

Now wanton Lads and Lasses do make Hay,  
Which unto lewd temptation makes grett way :  
With tumbling on the Cocks, which acted duely,  
Doth cause much mischief in this month of July.

1 John Dixwell	3 50	101 assure ye upon the
2 All are not Saints	3 51	9 word of an Astrologer
3 That go to Church,	3 52	8 we shall have no hard
4 Much knavery in	5 53	7 Frosts nor deep Snows
5 The heart may lark,	3 54	6 this month, but much
6 Tom a Bedlam	3 56	4 blustering weather with
7 Edmund Ludlow	3 57	3 those women whose
8 Merriton Larroon	3 58	2 Husbands have been at
9 Arise Evans	3 59	1 the Alehouse all day.
10 No Physick take,	4 00	0 and at night come home
11 It robs the purse,	4 27	5 drunk. The weather
12 And makes the body	4 37	57 is like to prove very
13 For more worse.	4 47	56 hot, therefore it will
14 Ascapart	4 67	54 be very bad for any one
15 F. Chaloner	4 07	52 to have the French
16 Black-pudding	4 10	7 50 pox, those who have a mind
17 Mad Bess	4 11	7 49 to it had better tarry till
18 One Candle may	4 12	7 48 the weather is cooler. This
19 light many more,	4 14	7 46 hot weather will cause peo-
20 And so one knave	4 15	7 45 ple to be very thirsty, so
21 May teach a score.	4 17	7 43 that there shall be a great
22 Muckle John	4 17	7 43 employment for many a
23 Robert Tichburn	4 18	7 42 <i>William, Cunniffe, Carr</i>
24 Rhadamanthus	4 20	7 40 Tenards, black-jacks and
25 Minos	4 22	7 38 Bombards, with any one of
26 Where is two Dogs	4 23	7 37 which if a man follow his
27 And but one bone,	4 23	7 35 workhard, he may get drunk
28 They never do	4 25	7 33 from morning till night. It
29 Agree in one.	4 27	7 31 is bad pissing the Bed this hot
30 Ker	4 28	7 30 weather, for it is apt to
31 Earl Goodwin	4 29	7 31 breed Flees, and your Ladies
	4 30	7 30 themselves are very loth to
	4 30	7 30 have these little Inchanments
	4 32	7 28 to lye with them.

# August hath xxxi days.

First Quar er the 6. day 38. mls. past 6. in the morning.  
Full Moon the 13. day 11. min. past 2. in the morning.  
L. st Quarter the 19. day 56 min. past 2. in the afternoon.  
New Moon the 27. day 59. min. past 7. at night.

1	r	Lamas day	bowels	New Lawyers they do idle lye,
2	d	Stephanus	celm	Let Cou try Men their bussness pl
3	e	Dominicus	ribs	For to get in their heart and Rye.
4	f	Aristarchus	secrets	With sweat and l. beart taking pain,
5	g	Oswald	secrets	For to get in all sorts of grain,
6	a	Sixtus	secrets	Before that it be s. ay. I wish rain.
7	b	1. after Trin.	thighs	At Westminster no noise they keep,
8	c	Cyriacus	thighs	But quiet are as Lambs on Sheep,
9	d	Romanus	knees	For'd think the people were asleep.
10	e	S. Lawrence	knees	Four pocky painted Salubr itores,
11	f	Gilbert B.	legs	With brazen face stand at their doors,
12	g	Clare	legs	So tempt young Cullents to their store.
13	a	Sun in Virg.	feet	
14	b	12 after Trin.	feet	But yet for all their flattery,
15	c	Assump. Mary.	head	For tricks they use to cog and lye,
16	d	Rock	head	There is not one will come the n. nye.
17	e	Marcus	neck	Their trading now is g. own so low,
18	f	Helena Emp.	neck	Their cloaths must to the Brokers go,
19	g	Sedaldus	arms	Or else their bellies suffer woe.
20	a	M. Love and	and	But it is no matter, starve and die,
21	b	M. Gibbon m.	should	And all Knaves to use leachery,
22	c	Euf. Andr. m.	breast	O may the Whores them rockeifie.
23	d	Col. Mor. m.	breast	
24	e	Barthol. Ap.	heart	These publick Whores we well could
25	f	Lewis K.	and	But too too many private we, (spare,
26	g	Zephyrine	back	Their Husbands make deal in: Horn-ware.
27	a	Dog. days end	bowels	
28	b	14 after Trin.	bowels	
29	c	Decol. Ja. Bap.	reins	
30	d	Luc. & Lili.	and	
31	e	Pau'inus	loyns	



# Observations on August.

Now doth the Dog Star rule, therefore you must  
For your health sake abstain from fleshly lusts  
Better it is your business hard to ply  
For to get in your Barley, Wheat, and Rye

1 Mouthing Mall	4 35 7	25 Now the Cantabrig shall
2 Mother Cunney	4 36 7	26 dance the Cowards
3 Proserpine	4 38 7	27 having for their musick
4 where not, nor triple	4 40 7	28 the roaring of Lyons
5 Now at all	4 41 7	29 howling of Wolves
6 But let thy bones	4 42 7	30 ing of Oxen
7 To working fall	4 43 7	31 of Calves
8 Frowzy Mall	4 47 7	13 Asps, hissing of Serpents
9 Giles Rumbelow	4 48 7	12 barking of Dogs
10 John Dongs	4 50 7	10 ing of Owls
11 Walter of Windsor	4 52 7	8 Cows, creaking of Re-
12 Xanthope	4 54 7	6 vens, and screaming of
13 The best reward	4 56 7	4 Peacocks, which alto-
14 For any plot,	5 0 7	2 gether will make moul-
15 Is a strong rope,	5 0 7	0 rated melody
16 And riding knot.	5 0 7	58 in a square with 70
17 Tom Thumb	5 0 7	56 after, therefore men
18 Witch of Endor	5 0 7	54 may see to sleep with
19 Percer. Pelham	5 0 7	52 own pair of Spectacles
20 Will S. George	5 0 7	50 on their Nose
21 Chaucers Miller	5 0 7	48 meek-hearted Congre-
22 Now Farmers work	5 12 7	46 gation of Oyle-wives
23 And Lawyers play,	5 16 7	44 together with the Civil
24 And rich men they	5 18 7	42 sisterhood of Oranges
25 Make Holy day.	5 20 7	40 and Lemons, shall now
26 And Women who	5 22 7	38 put a statue of limari-
27 with Child are big.	5 24 7	36 on upon their tongues,
28 To Smithfield go	5 26 7	34 and be as silent as West-
29 To eat fat Pigg.	5 28 7	32 minster Hall this long
30 R. I. Thibault	5 30 7	30 Vacation.
31 Hudibras	5 32 7	28

# September hath xxx days.

First quarter the 4 day, 20 min. past 6 at night.  
Full Moon the 11 day 30 m. past 9 in the forenoon.  
Last Quarter the 18 day, 18 m. past 9 in the forenoon.  
New Moon the 26 day, 29 min. past noon.

1	F	Giles Abbot	secrets	How several Nations are enclined
2	M	Veronica	secrets	Under these very sun may find.
3	T	Exile Tyrant	thighs	The Frenchman loves a nimble Last,
4	W	5 after Trin	thighs	That gently as you cast her lies.
5	T	Zacharias	kneet	Spaniards love her that looks a glass
6	W	Magnus	kneet	That beauty at himself in her eyes.
7	T	Trans. Dunst.	eg	Italians love a fearful French,
8	F	Pr Eliz. dyed	legs	That often free from Venus sport,
9	M	Nat. B. Virg.	legs	Feared that at the aridding touch
10	T	Sylvius	feet	Challenges love, the Dutch resort.
11	W	16 after Trin	feet	What you see men of several Nations
12	T	Sun in Libra	head	Do women love of others persons,
13	W	H. D. G. dyed	head	And by that means both good and bad.
14	T	Holy Hood	neck	The most part of them they are bad.
15	F	Ember week	neck	Some love for Beauty some for Coyne
16	M	Euphemis	arms	And some for lust in Marriage join
17	T	Lambert	arms	To either some their humours bite
18	W	17 after Trin.	breast	For to expose a Wife for wit
19	T	Jullians	breast	Thus by this means most men are sped,
20	W	Faulst Fall	heart	But few for vertue may be led.
21	T	Matthew Ap.	and	But who would chuse a Wife for me,
22	F	Samuel	back	Let her thus wise condition be
23	M	Tecla Virg.	bowels	Neither too Low, nor yet too Tall,
24	T	Rupertus	bowels	Neither too great, nor yet too small
25	W	18 Ast. Trin.	reins	Nor fullen, silent, nor too loud,
26	T	Cyprian	and	Near in her Cloaths, but yet not proud,
27	W	Col. & Dam.	loyns	Just, fearing God, and kind to be,
28	T	Winces. fast	secrets	Not new to others, but to me,
29	F	Mich. Arch.	secrets	For who loves me, and loves me more,
30	M	Hierome	thighs	In last will prove an ardent fire

## Observations on September.

Now men leave eating Cherries and green Peason,  
And Oyssers, and Fresh-Herrings come in season,  
If store of Natts this month, the Proverbs clear,  
That it will be a mighty Bastard year.

1 Sue Flavell	5 33 6 25	Jupiter is now in an ill
2 Tyburn	5 37 6 43	aspect with Venus, O
3 S. Oliver	5 39 6 21	may the Guardian An-
4 Julian Apostate	5 41 6 19	gel of Green Aprons
5 At Sturbridge-fair	5 43 6 17	protect our Country
6 Are Hops and ships,	5 45 6 15	Ploughmen from being
7 And Whores that kiss	5 47 6 13	Choaked with eating
8 With flattery lips.	5 49 6 11	Plumb-pudding. Lan-
9 Knipperdolling	5 51 6 9	don ( they say ) is the
10 John Downe	5 53 6 7	best Fortrefort shelter a
11 Gregory Nott	5 55 6 4	great Bely in , where
12 Mother Dobs.	5 58 6 2	to see a Maid fair, poor,
13 The Lawyers now	6 0 6 0	and honest, is as rare as
14 Do think no harm,	6 2 6 58	to see a Collier with a
15 But Castles brew	6 4 6 56	clean face.
16 Against next Term,	6 6 6 54	Like Mice, they are all dead,
17 Cunney-Beard.	6 9 6 51	They nibble long at last
18 Jack Bradshaw	6 11 6 49	in a day.
19 Laird Warriston	6 13 6 47	Now the Farmers Barns are
20 Bears-Face.	6 15 6 45	full, and full Barns make
21 Pope Joan	6 17 6 43	full Purles, and joyful
22 Holy Maid of Kent	6 19 6 41	hearts, it makes the B.kers
23 Exit Jack Presbyter	6 21 6 39	bread haire, and the Brew-
24 Hudibras	6 23 6 37	ers Ale stronger, ell you
25 Now Landlords they	6 25 6 35	that love Toasts and Ale,
26 Prick up their ears,	6 27 6 33	pray for full Barns. The
27 Because S. Michaels	6 29 6 31	malevolent Planet Saturn
28 Day appears.	6 31 6 29	threatens many School-boys
29 Simon Mayn	6 33 6 27	with whipping, for plucking
	6 35 6 25	of Geese and robbing of
		Orchards, which will not be
		half so welcome to them as
		Michaelmas-day will be to
		Landlords.

# October hath xxxi day.

First Quarter the 4. day 10 m. past 3 in the morning.  
 Full Moon the 10 day 49 m. past 8 at night.  
 Last Quarter the 18 day 53 m. past 2 in the morning.  
 New Moon the 26 day, 30 m. past 6 in the morning.

1	A	Remigius	B.	thighs	The Summer now is past its prime,
2	S	10 after Trin.		thighs	Each thing beginneth to decline,
3	C	Maximilian		knees	Money grows scant, poor men must work,
4	D	Francis		knees	Much anavery doth in some men lurk,
5	E	Constance		legs	Those who have money at command,
6	F	Faith Virg.		legs	May buy all things at the best den,
7	G	Mr. Benion	m	feet	Bring to the Tavern and to the chaine,
8	A	Demetrius		feet	Thou must the carrell Canary drink,
9	M	20 after Trin.		head	For many now doth hear such swag,
10	C	Paulin		head	They spend the best, that best do pay,
11	D	Burchard		neck	Now sto murther for Crispins sake,
12	E	Willfride		neck	A full day that murther may make,
13	F	Sun in Scorp		arms	There's none who Sir Hughs bones do
14	G	E. Jan. II. E.		arms	But willingly will drink Canary, carry
15	A	Z. Darby m.		breast	If that can't be, rather than fail
16	M	21 after Trin.		and	They'll make a shift with Beer or Ale,
17	C	Audrey Virg.		stomac.	And will be merry then they swear,
18	D	Luk. Evang.		heart	Eat of the best, and drink strong beer,
19	E	Priscilla V.		heart	Have Shoemakers. I can command,
20	F	Caprius		bowels	To hold good customs to the end.
21	G	Walden Fair		and	Todays and Ciyen men have care
22	A	Sir T. Fethm		belly	Store of money to prepare,
23	M	22 after Trin.		reins	The first his Landlords rent to pay
24	C	Term begins		reins	Due the last S. Michaels day,
25	D	Crispin		secrets	The other to pay Lawfords fees,
26	E	Armandus		secrets	Last that he the day should see,
27	F	Ivo Confessor		secrets	If they with Coine be now sedd,
28	G	S. Sim. & Iud.		thighs	English thy cause for to go ill.
29	A	Narcissus		thighs	
30	M	23 after Trin.		knees	
31	C	Julian fast		knees	

## Observations on October.

The days do shorten, and the nights grow cold.  
 Ith' Chimney corner many tales are told,  
 Now Turneps make a noise in every street,  
 and now be sure to keep warm head and feet.

1	Phelps the Scribler	6	36	5	24	Those who have a griping in
2	who takes a Giglet	6	38	5	22	the guts, may do well to be
3	To his Wife,	6	40	5	20	advised by me, to forbear at
4	Must look to lead	6	42	5	18	this time new Elder and
5	with her this life.	6	44	5	16	Perry, for old Malaga and
6	Each morning she	6	46	5	14	Toast is much better to
7	Will have brought up	6	48	5	12	them in a cold morning.
8	A Candle in	6	50	5	10	Some shall be so bad Hus-
9	A Silver Cup.	6	52	5	8	bands as to lye a bed whilst
10	Then lie a Bed	6	54	5	6	others have drunk their morn-
11	To take her ease,	6	56	5	4	nings draughts; but Women
12	And go abroad	6	58	5	2	shall be so provident to com-
13	When ere she please.	7	0	5	0	fort up themselves with
14	Cerberus	7	2	4	58	mull'd Sack, Caudles, and
15	Harrison the Butcher	7	4	4	56	Collifles. Few honest Bakers
16	Scot the Brewer	7	6	4	54	shall be put in the Pillory,
17	Patience and silence	7	8	4	52	especially for making their
18	In a Woman,	7	10	4	50	bread too heavy. Now an
19	Vertues are, but	7	12	4	48	apparition of Pork and
20	Yet not common.	7	14	4	46	Turnips will be very com-
21	Hughkin the Jester	7	16	4	44	fortable to a hungry sto-
22	John Cook	7	17	4	43	mach; Lawyers trudge in
23	Daniel the D.	7	19	4	41	droves to Westminster, with
24	Arthur of Bradley	7	20	4	40	green Bags & dragled say'd
25	Shoemakers they	7	22	4	38	Gowns; being as eager after
26	Make holy-day.	7	24	4	36	their long Vacation, as a
27	To be new	7	26	4	34	Cormorant; I cannot but
28	Scroop	7	28	4	32	pick their first Client, for
29	Does	7	30	4	30	they make no more bones of
30	Frier Forrest	7	32	4	28	him then a Dutchman will
31	Sir Giles Goose cap	7	32	4	27	do of pickled Herring.

# November hath xxx days.

First Quarter the 2 day, 22 m. past noon.

Full Moon the 9 day, 26 m. past 6 in the morning.

Last Quarter the 16 day, 56 m. past 10 at night.

New Moon the 24 day, 38 m. past 8 at night.

1	d	All Saints	legs	Thou must my tea: I agreed fore,
2	e	All Soules	legs	Who thou'd she would me love no more 3
3	f	Winfred	feet	The reason of this wrathful grutch
4	g	Mary P. or B.	feet	Was, I gave her a kiss too much,
5	h	Powder Plot	head	For we did both this bargain make
6	i	24 after Trin	head	Our kisses out by sale to take.
7	j	Florentius	neck	I gave her words humble and mild,
8	k	Claudius	neck	And prayed her to be reconciled :
9	l	Theodore	arms	At length she was contented, so
10	m	Tryphon	and	I would this penance undergoe,
11	n	Nat. E. R.	should.	That in a month I should not eat
12	o	Sun in Sagit.	breast	No o her but these sorts of meat 3
13	p	25 after Trin.	breast	Rost Beef, Rost Pork, Rost Veal,
14	q	Frederick	heart	(Rost Lamb,
15	r	Q. Cath.bora	and	Of Fowl, only Goose, Turkey, Swan,
16	s	Edmond B.C.	back	Partridge, Pheasant, Chicken, Teal,
17	t	Hugh	bowels	But of buy'd meat not any meal
18	u	Gelasius	bowels	In any manner wise, unless
19	v	Carol. I. Nat.	reins	Toat Veal or Mutton made the best 3
20	w	26 after Trin.	and	And if my stomach find for fish,
21	x	Pres. Mary	loyns	Then North-Sea Cod should be my dish,
22	y	Cicely Virg.	secrets	But yet not with it to be fed
23	z	Clemens	secrets	Unless it were well buttered.
24	a	Chrysogon	thighs	For liquors with she did enjoyn
25	b	Conrade	thighs	That I should drink no other wine,
26	c	Peter B. N.	knees	But only Sack, White-wine, and
27	d	Adv. Sunday	knees	(Claret,
28	e	Term ends	legs	But other liquors she would hurt it.
29	f	Saturn fast	legs	I said this was a penance sore,
30	g	S. Andrew.	feet	Quoth she transgress not then no more,
				Which cause I would not have her
				(blame,
				I promised to perform the same.



## Observations on November.

Cold shivering winter now makes his addresses,  
Adorned with his Silver'd colour creases;  
Then get both Wood and Coals if thou art able,  
For now good fires they will be comfortable.

1	Knipperdolling	7	38	4	22	The Moon being in
2	Henry Ireton	7	39	4	21	conjunct. on with Scor-
3	Guldo Flux	7	41	4	19	pis, presageth this
4	This month is like	7	42	4	18	mooth we shall have
5	to be cold weather,	7	44	4	16	plenty of Sprats, and
6	Men and their Wives	7	46	4	14	scarcity of Butter,
7	lie close together,	7	47	4	13	which shall make ma-
8	Good counsel 'tis,	7	49	4	11	ny to boil them, where-
9	can do no harm,	7	51	4	9	as they are better fryed,
10	Thereby you'll keep	7	52	4	8	and therefore Haly saith
11	each other warm.	7	54	4	6	of such doings, that
12	Ned o'th 'Faggot lost	7	55	4	5	God sends meat and the
13	Will Dell	7	57	4	3	Droil sends Cooks. I
14	James Chaloner	7	58	4	2	grieve to relate that
15	Colebrand.	8	0	4	0	some honest men this
16	Now powder'd Pork	8	1	3	59	month shall change
17	is in good season,	8	3	3	57	more lodgings than Py-
18	But Cherrys and	8	4	3	56	thagoras his soul did in
19	green-pease are season.	8	5	3	55	great searching for Zorba-
20	Devil of Edmonton	8	7	3	53	ye: Night-cap. Fears, Je-
21	John Blackston	8	8	3	52	alousies, Whimsies, Whims,
22	John Ven.	8	9	3	51	G'mcracks, and various hu-
23	Arthur of Bradley	8	10	3	50	mours possess the minds and
24	Better a single	8	11	3	49	noddles of men, and will
25	man to tarry,	8	12	3	48	as long as the World en-
26	Than with a light	8	12	3	48	dure. Pleasing, pleasing
27	heel'd wench to marry.	8	13	3	47	weather towards the latter
28	John Lookes	8	13	3	47	end of the month, for men
29	John James	8	14	3	46	bury their Wives, and wo-
30	Rogue the Register	8	15	3	45	men bury their Husbands:
						but by and by the weather
						grows black again, for there
						is much outward mourning
						on both sides.

# December hath xxxi days.

First Quarter the 1 day 16 min. past 7 at night.  
 Full Moon the 8 day 31 min. past 8 at night.  
 Last Quarter the 16 day 3 min. past 8 at night.  
 New Moon the 24 day 30 min. past 10 before noon.  
 First Quarter the 31 day 16 min. past 3 in the morning.

1	f	Elegius Bish.	feet	When at the Rebel Rump here foray
2	g	Candida	feet	We scarcely heard of Christmas day,
3	a	Cassian	head	Those zealous wigwags had on exchange,
4	b	2 Sund. in Ad.	head	For a reform both Church & Kitchen
5	c	Sabian	neck	Mince pie was term'd too vicious,
6	d	Nicholas Bi.	neck	And roast Beef condemn'd superstitious,
7	e	Ambrose	arms	Church doors were locked up that side,
8	f	Concep. Mary	arms	And Tavern doors stood open wide,
9	g	Cyprian	breast	The poor at such a time to feast
10	a	Miltiades	breast	Was to adore the Romish Beast;
11	b	Sund. in Capr.	heart	And should a Father then thus play,
12	c	Paul Bish.	and	It would (good folk) scare them away.
13	d	Lucie Virg.	back	If houses were with Ivy deckt,
14	e	Emb. Week.	bowels	Or 'Hail, 'twas Popery direct.
15	f	Valerie	bowels	And yet the zealots of those times
16	g	O sapientia	reins	Were stumbled at notorious crimes,
17	a	Lazarus	and	If ought it was made for their profit,
18	b	4 Sund. in Ad.	loyns	They then would make us scrupulous of it.
19	c	Nemesius	secrets	But thanks to God that now we may
20	d	Julian Fast	secrets	Again observe old Christmas day;
21	e	Tho. Apostle	thighs	Those who the Poor will then not dine
22	f	Theodosius	and	O may they feel this curse of mine!
23	g	St. Al. Gary m	hips	May they for debt to avarice go,
24	a	30 Virgins	knees	And beg their living with a gro;
25	b	Christm. day	knees	And never from the Gai get free
26	c	S. Stephen	legs	Till they get cut by Perjury.
27	d	S. Joh. Evan.	legs	Fort. rn, abandoned, and poor,
28	e	H. Innocent	feet	As pawn'd Cully, or mortgag'd Whore.
29	f	M. Pitcher m	feet	
30	g	David	head	
31	a	St. Aster	head	

# Observations on December

This month the Cooks do very early rise,  
To roast their mear, and make their Christmas pies.  
Poor men at rich mens Tables their guts forage porridge.  
With Roast Beef, Minced-pies, Puddings, and Plumb-

1	Navalor Powel	8	16	3	44	Now this month mony
2	Dirty Doll	8	16	3	44	and Canary will be in
3	That house may glad	8	17	3	45	great request, and he
4	And merry be	8	17	3	43	that hath the first, shall
5	whose Butler is	8	18	3	41	not need fear wanting
6	Good company.	8	18	3	42	the latter. Many men
7	Tinker of Bedford	8	19	3	42	with their own hands
8	Tho. Wogan	8	19	3	41	shall pick their own
9	John Adured	8	19	3	44	cockers, by diving into
10	Henry Smith	8	19	3	41	them for mony to lose
11	Mephistophilus	8	19	3	41	at Cards and Dice. He
12	Alderman Hoyle	8	19	3	42	that falls in love with a
13	Mun Prideaux	8	19	3	41	scolding Female, is shot
14	When you see Toads	8	19	3	41	with a forked arrow
15	On wings to fly,	8	19	3	41	out of <i>Capit</i> Crofs-
16	And Eagles they	8	19	3	42	bow. 'Tis said that in
17	To creep full low,	8	19	3	42	the Isle of <i>Pant</i> , they
18	Horsf-cousers	8	19	3	42	take Millions of Diamonds,
19	Practise honesty,	8	19	3	43	and that they are as common
20	And Misers they	8	19	3	43	there as Lice among Beggars,
21	Do spendthrifts grow.	8	19	3	44	Two or three such Dia-
22	Fanaticks then	8	19	3	44	monds put into a Ring,
23	Shall Christmas keep.	8	19	3	45	would fit the Thumb of the
24	And jeast the poor	8	19	3	46	great Gyant which came o-
25	with their full high,	8	19	3	46	ver into <i>E gland</i> . But you
26	Plumb-puddings on	8	19	3	47	will say what is all this to
27	Their Tables creep,	8	19	3	48	predicting. Well then we
28	Roast Beef, Minced pies,	8	19	3	48	will conclude our monthly
29	And Firmity.	8	19	3	49	predictions with this true
30	James Gutchrey	8	19	3	50	observation, that those
31	Peg Lemon	8	19	3	51	who now lose their whole
						estate at Cards or Dice may
						dye beggars without being
						piyed.

A Table shewing how many years purchase a Lease or Annuity to endure for any number of years under 35 is worth, at Interest upon interest at 6 per Cent. per Annum, and without casualty.

Purchase				Purchase			
Years of a Lease	Years	Months	Parts	Years of a Lease	Years	Months	Parts
1	0	11	0	17	10	5	8
2	1	0	0	18	10	9	9
3	2	0	1	19	11	1	9
4	3	5	0	20	11	5	7
5	4	2	0	21	11	9	3
6	4	11	0	22	12	0	0
7	5	7	0	23	12	3	0
8	6	2	3	24	12	6	0
9	6	9	6	25	13	9	4
10	7	4	9	26	13	0	0
11	7	10	9	27	13	3	3
12	8	4	9	28	13	4	9
13	8	10	9	29	13	7	9
14	9	6	6	30	13	9	3
15	9	6	5	31	13	11	1
16	10	1	3	32	14	1	0

Would you know how many years purchase a Lease is worth in ready money, look for the years you desire to know, and against you shall find the value thereof. As for example, would you know how much 10 years purchase is worth, look in a Table for ten years, and against the same you will find 7.4.3. which sheweth such a Lease to be worth 7 years. 4 months and 3 parts of a month.

### The use and explanation of the Table.

The first Column towards the left hand sheweth the years of a Lease or Annuity; and right against each year, is the years, months, and parts of a months purchase that such a Lease or Annuity is worth.

Whose pocket is with Gold and Silver lined,  
May purchase Land according to his mind;  
But he whose pocket doth of money fail,  
This Table is to him of small avail.

Wm. Robin, 1687.

## PROGNOSTICATION

For the Year of our Lord

God 1687.

Containing a necessary Table for the ordering your  
Expences. An Exact Account of the two Solar  
Eclipses which will happen this Year, with  
Astronomical and Astrological Judgments up-  
on them. A most accurate Description of the  
four Quarters of the Year. An Astrological  
Scheme, resolving all Doubts and Demands al-  
most to be asked, the like before never extant:  
With certain, infallible Signs of divers sorts  
of Weather. As also infallible Rules for good  
Husbandry, being things both of Delight and  
Profit.

Calculated according to Art for the Meridian of Sas-  
fron Walden in Essex, and may without sensible  
error serve for any other place either in Kent  
or Christendom.

Thus Reader by our Astrologick Art  
Future Events we unto thee impart,  
But yet 'tis with this reservation though,  
If they come not to pass, we'd have them do:  
For all Predictions do to this belong,  
That either they are right, or else they're wrong.

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A Table by which doth appear  
Expence by Day, Week, Month, or Year.

By the Day.	By the Week.			By the Month.			By the Year.		
Pence.	l	s	d	l	s	d	l	s	d
1	0	0	7	0	2	4	1	10	5
2	0	1	2	0	4	8	3	0	10
3	0	1	9	0	7	0	4	11	3
4	0	2	4	0	9	4	6	1	8
5	0	2	11	0	11	8	7	12	1
6	0	3	6	0	14	0	9	2	6
7	0	4	1	0	16	4	10	12	11
8	0	4	8	0	18	0	12	3	4
9	0	5	3	1	1	0	13	13	9
10	0	5	10	1	3	4	15	6	2
11	0	6	5	1	5	0	16	14	9
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Shillings.	l	s	d	l	s	d	l	s	d
1	0	7	0	1	8	0	18	5	0
2	0	14	0	2	16	0	36	10	0
3	1	1	0	4	4	0	54	15	0
4	1	8	0	5	12	0	73	0	0
5	1	15	0	7	0	0	91	5	0
6	2	2	0	8	8	0	109	10	0
7	2	9	0	9	16	0	127	15	0
8	2	16	0	11	4	0	146	0	0
9	3	3	0	12	12	0	164	5	0
10	3	10	0	14	0	0	182	10	0
11	3	17	0	15	8	0	200	15	0
12	4	4	0	16	16	0	219	0	0
13	4	11	0	18	4	0	237	5	0
14	4	18	0	19	12	0	255	10	0
15	5	5	0	21	0	0	273	15	0
16	5	12	0	22	8	0	292	0	0

Spare not, nor spend too much, be this thy care,  
Spare but to spend, and only spend to spare;  
Who spends too much may want, and so complain,  
But he spends best, who spares to spend again.



POPE ROBINS, 1687.

Of the Eclipses this present Year, 1687.

WE shall have this Year only two Eclipses, and those both of that Emperour of Light, King of Planets, Sovereign of the Stars, and Monarch of Days and Years, the Sun; otherwise called *Phœbus*, *Sol*, *Hesperion* and *Titan*, Father of Light, the Worlds great Lamp, and Days illustrious Eye, whose radiant Lustre shall by the interposition of the Moon suffer two notable Eclipses:

*When Sol's pale Sister in her wandering Race*

*With interposed Wheels obscures his Face.*

One whereof shall be visible to our sight if the Air be serene and clear, the other (though a very great Eclipse) hardly, if at all appearing to us, let the Air be never so clear, or that you to behold it make use of those two great artful helps, viz. a pair of Spectacles, and a pail of Water.

The first of these will be on the first of May, a little after Noon, or Dinner time, if you go to Dinner exactly at 12 of the Clock; but if you do not dine till 1, then it will begin before Dinner, therefore take heed at what time you go to Dinner, for the Eclipse will happen according to the time of the day, and not at what time you have a mind to eat. This Eclipse is almost Central, and happens in the 21<sup>st</sup> degree of *Taurus*, (ware *Horns*, beloved) among the *Pleiades*, and within one degree of the North Node. But to tell you exactly what the Effects of the Eclipse will be, I profess I know no more than my Lord Mayor's Horse, nor indeed are the Stars so legible to be read, that a man can tell to a tittle what is written in them, nor the most Famous Astrologer of them all: As saith the Poet,

*The Earthly Gods fathers of Heavens Lights*

*That give a Name to every fixed Star,*

*Have no more profit of their shining Nights*

*Than those that walk, and yet not what they are.*

However,

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However, according to our wonted custom, we will adventure to give our Judgment of such things as without the help of any *Lapland Devil* we may safely prognosticate will assuredly come to pass. We find then by the position of *Mercury* a great plenty of such people who are thus described by the Poet.

*Who in the Day do mark*

*Those Houses which they plunder in the Dark,*

*Venus* is in a full Square with *Mars*; therefore those who marry Widows must condescend to these conditions, viz. To let her have the whole sway of the House, and all Domestical Affairs, as of Accounts of Household charges, placing, and displacing of all Servants in general; To be in special fee with his best trusted Servant, not to let one live with him that will not betray all his counsels to her; To study and practise the art of Jealousie; to feign Anger, Melancholy, or Sickness, to the Life; To Reigh, Govern, Ordain Laws, and break them, make Quarrels, and maintain them; profess Truths, and devillish Falshoods; profess Obedience, but study nothing more than to make their Husbands so: To carry alwaies the Inventory of her Goods, and the Sum of her Dowry perpetually in her Mouth, and alwaies to be arm'd with the praise of the Deceased:

*And he who is with such a Widow matcht,*

*He in the Marriage Nooze is finely catcht.*

Then may he sing the Hen-pecked Husbands song;

*Like a Dog with a Bottle is close to his Tail,*

*Like a Tory in a Bog, or a Thief in a Gaol.*

*Sat* is in a direct opposition to fallen *Saturn*; this prognosticates a great scarcity of Roses in December, of *Cherries* in February, of *Plois* in July, and of *Honesty* at any time. And so much of the first Eclipse.

The second Eclipse (which is also of the Sun) will be on Wednesday the 26 day of October, about six of the Clock in the Morning. It happens in the 12 Degree of *Scorpio*, near the Stars of the Balance, and more near to the Moons South Node. This will be a very great Eclipse,

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but not visible to us, being almost ever before the Sun rises in our Horizon, therefore those who would behold it must go to the Antipodes, and if you would know where the Antipodes are, I tell you, in *Muscovia* and that *Muscovia* is our Antipode. I prove it thus: For, then the Women love that Husband best which beateth them most, and think themselves neither loved, nor regarded, unless they be twice or thrice a day well favor'dly swaddled; but the Women in *Sagadah* should they be soundly bang'd but once a day, they would very hardly love that Husband, but might perhaps in revenge thereof, grate a pair of Horns on his Head for his pains:

*And by that means he may become out-right*

*Orb's* forsooth is due to be dub'd a *Kiss*, and it is also  
Bar give you an Account of what wealth that she do find, may be signified by the same: *Mars* and *Mercury* are in friendly conjunction with *Venus* which may invire many young People to enter into the Marriage state, indeed a Wife who Curses, when she brings the Blessing of a good Estate with her; but to marry an idle, down-blunt, wish's painted Face, a rotten Reputation, and a cruel Humour, that man had better go to changing, than be so married. Now if you would seek my Direction for the choice of a Wife, I will give it you freely, and so that you may keep it the better in memory, I shall give you her properties Alphabetically. Let her be beautiful, Beautiful, Chaste, Delicate, Excellent, Fair, Gracious, Honest, Indulgent, Kind, Loving, Merry, New, Obedient, Pious, Quiet, Rich, Sincere, Temperate, Vertuous, Witty, Youthful, and Zealous.

*And thus who with these Properties are fit, shall*

*Of* You shall not need to fear with them to will, and draw

But that which is most remarkable, and makes best for our purpose, is, that *Saturn* who is the most malevolent Planet of all, is in a benigne aspect with *Jupiter*; therefore rejoyce all true *Barberians*, for we shall have Canary not only very good, but extraordinary plentiful, to the great enriching of Noses, and begging of

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Poxes. Pox is in her Alliance, a great sign that Whores  
 will be very impudent, and stand to high upon terms,  
 that Poor men shall not so easily purchase the Pox as the  
 Rich; but let Whores be as dear, and as feared as they  
 will, it shall Sack be but cheap and plentiful, we care not.  
 A Quart of Sack well turned,  
 And drunk to Bedward wholly,  
 I dare be bold doth cure the Cold,  
 And purge the Melancholly.  
 It comforts aged Persons,  
 And seems their Death to render.  
 It warms the Stomach, it fills the Veins;  
 And fresh Blood doth engender.

These are the effects of pure chunn'd Ganery; but as  
 for such balderdash as is sophisticated with Lyes, Stamp,  
 and such adulterating Stuff, hear what the Poet says of it.

Within the Brain by Extraneous do's gotten,  
 Which are most Diseases are the Fabrick  
 As Deafness, Rheum, Coughs, Gouts, and Distillations,  
 Convulsions, Palsies, Itch, and Inflammations.

So much for Sack; but the chiefest matter is how to  
 get Money to buy it: for Money is now equall'd the  
 God of this World; without it, the wisest man that is  
 shall be accounted a Fool; and having store of it, the  
 Fool shall be accounted a wise man; according to the  
 Poet witily expresseth it.

Who's Rich? the Wife. Who's Poor? the Philosopher.

If I were rich, I should be Richer than I.

Who's Wife? the Rich. O Adversity! a Fool's the Poet.

If I were Rich, I should be Wisest of all.

We shall conclude our Predilections on these Eclipses  
 with some Observations on St. Paul's day, according to  
 the Rules of that morning Jew, Evs. Pater.

If St. Paul's day be fair and clear,

Then will the Wager more clean appear.

But if it chance to Snow, or Rain,

The Wager will dirty be again.

And

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And if the winds aloft should be,  
Then tumble down with many a Tree;  
But if there be no Wind at all,  
The Trees may stand, and so may I.

Of the four Quarters of the Year, and first of  
the Springs

**T**HE Spring hath the predominancy of being the first, and well it may, it being the most delightful time of all the Year; for now the Grass springs, the Fruit Trees blossom, the Birds sing, especially the Cuckow sings very merrily, and therefore I think it best marrying this Month, because then you may have your Marriage Musick for nothing. It is also the only Quarter for Strawberries, Raspberries, Gooseberries, Cherries, Green Pease, Beans and Bacon; Mackerel, Taffies, Cakes, custards, and a thousand such other delicious things as would make a mans Teeth water to want them, but much more to eat them. Also Loins, and Breasts of Veal, and Quarters of Lamb and Salads are in great request this Quarter, being all of them very pleasant to a hungry young man, especially when he is invited to a friends house to eat of them on free cost. As Mr. Marston observes in his Comment on Nicholas Wounds Book of eating, Folio 1245, where he saith,

Calves head and Bacon now is a good Dish  
And Loins of Veal, is good in heart and wife.  
But of all Dainties on which we do live,  
That's best which is a good friends table place.

This pleasant Quarter beginneth on the nineteenth of March, 1 h. 30 m. p. m. Now I wonder how many men of Art a minute or two, I suppose it will not be a hundred or two of pounds lost to the Reader; for if you look into your Gardens, or on the Hedge row, you will find no great difference in their springing in a minute or two; and though Astrologers make the exact time of the beginning at the Suns Entrance into the Equinoctial Sign

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*Aries, yet if at that time it be Frost and Snow, a Man may say and swear too, that it is still Winter, let a 100 Astrologers say to the contrary.*

*Therefore I think it fit a Law were made,  
To call each thing aright, a Spade, a Spade;  
And she that plays the whore, a light heel'd Yade.  
In Frosts and Snows, let it have Winters name;  
And when Spring comes, let it be call'd the same.*

**T**H E next Quarter of the Year is Summer, which is commonly very hot, and therefore is not much beloved of Wood-Mongers, nor Cole-Merchants; It is also very obnoxious to the Butchers, for now if they keep their Meat too long, it will stink as bad as themselves. Now Men drink more than they eat, which is the reason that whithersoever you go, you shall find 100 Ale-houses to 1 Cooke-shop. This is also a noted Quarter for the making of Butter and Cheese, but not of Eggs, for it is the Men that makes Eggs, else might our Puddings be spoil'd for want of them. Now this hot Quarter Women wear Masks, and Children Bon-graces to keep their Faces from being Sun-burnt, because Beauty is delightful to all People. As the Poet hath it.

*The Merchant while in Traffique spends his Life,*

*Yet loves at home to have a handsome Wife,*

*The Church-woman whose teaching we are led,*

*Will have a Wife with Beauty in her Bed,*

*The busy Lawyer wrangling in the Hall,*

*Findeth that Beauty gives him more than all,*

*The roving Traveller, and the sweating Clown,*

*Would have his Wealth fair, though his Bread be brown.*

But let me tell ye, that many times a handsome Wife is the cause of a Man being made a Cuckold; for every one will desire to throw a Cudgel at her Bear-Tree, and then if they have opportunity, the Wife furnishes her Husband with Ware to go to Horn-Rail.

*For there are few who are this Way,*

*But yield to opportunity.*

This



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This Quarter beginneth on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, and  
endeth on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, in which time are  
consumed a multitude of Sillabubs, Flaws, Froths, Cu-  
stards, Cheese-cakes, Beans and Bacon, Green Peas,  
and stewed Prunes.

Whilst unto others it is a good relief,  
To feed on Legs of Pork, and Chines of Breef.

### Autumn.

THE third Quarter of the Year is called *Autumn*, and  
beginneth on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, and end-  
eth on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March. This Quarter is betwixt the  
two extremes of hot and cold, and therefore 'tis like to  
the love of one Neighbour towards another, a little like-  
warm, that is, as far as self ends caret them to do one  
courtesie towards another. Towards the latter end of this  
Quarter men commonly give their minds to consider  
the Noise of Marriage; but for those who are troubled  
with a scornful Wit, who triumph in the Afflictions of  
their Lovers, I have a Medicine to cure their Love, which  
is very near to a Rope and Butter.

If to obtain her, nothing will thee stand,

This is a Medicine that shall cure thy Love.

The Powder of her Heart dry'd when she is dead,

That Gold, nor Honour, nor bad power can move,

Mix'd with her Tears, that nor her Love will part,

Not at fifteen her long'd is to be a part.

Byl'd with her sighs, in giving up the Ghost,

That for her late deceased Husband's sake,

Into the same then let a Woman tread.

That being chid, did never wear a ring,

With one thrice married's Prayers, that did bequeath

A Legacy to stale Virginitie.

If this Receipt have not the power to winn thee,

Little Pleas, but think the Druff in thee.

This is a very plentiful Quarter for Fruits, but especial-  
ly for Apples, of which is made happy Cyder, and  
this Quarter also they begin to Kill Pork. Now  
he

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he who cannot make a Meal of a Leg of Pork and Turneps, and 2 or 3 Bottles of that nappy Cider aforesaid, if he have his Health and be well, is it pity but he should fast. In this Quarter likewise is the Lawyers fourth and longest Harvest, who are a sort of People, though sometimes necessary, yet have a care of trusting too much to them: For,

*They are a People who observe their Ku,  
Can Write with one Hand, and Receive with two.  
Winter.*

**W**inter the last, and worst Quarter of all the four, (because it consumeth what is gotten in the other three) beginneth Decemb. 11<sup>b</sup>, and endeth on the 9<sup>b</sup> day of March, during which time, the Sun (which Poets, that is to say, Money-lick Persons, do call *Phœbus*, *Apollo*, *Sol*, *Titan*, and *Hiperion*) passeth thorough the 3 Celestial Signs of Capricorn, Aquarius, and Pisces. Or, If you will, the Goat, the Taskard-beater, and the Fishes. Now the Weather is very cold, so that a Cup of nappy Ale is seasonable, wherefore you shall find a Cobler in a morning to have his nose steel'd with a black Por, before he handle his Awl and Bristle. This Quarter also Mull'd Sack, Burnt Claret, racey Canary, &c. are very seasonable, and exceeding comfortable: but these things beloved, cannot be had without Money, no, nor Beey, nor Ale neither, according as I formerly writ in *Poor Robins Garland of Delights*: To the Tune of *Hallow my fency, whitby, with thyme*?

*Go to the Ale-House*

*Without any Chink*

*As good go to the Gallies*

*When for Pass I call for*

*They for Money shall for*

*If I will have Drink*

*Then do they tell me, the Brewer comes to murr me;  
They must have ready Money, they do not mean to borrow:  
With such cursed Speeches thus add th. y to my sorrow,  
Alas! poore Poet, whicher wilt thou go?*

But

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But if you have More of Money, then you shall be welcome, pitch and pay, and drink all day; such kind of Drunkards cannot lightly be damn'd - for the Vintners, the Brewers, the Malt-men, and Ale-Wives, all pray for them. This cold Quarter with Clothes will be very comfortable, which if you want, you may have cheap penny-worths at the Hang-mans Ward-robe, amongst the Brokers; but if you go to them for two penny worth of Honesty, they will profess to you, they have not so much to spare.

For Honesty amongst Brokers at this season,  
And so at other times is very season.

## The Astrological Scheme.



An Almanack without a Scheme is like powder'd Beef without Mustard, or a handsome Wench without a Sweet-heart, or a Bag-pudding without Suet, or a Steeple without a Bell in it; or a School without a School-Masters or a Purse without Money, or indeed any thing what you please. Now this our Scheme hath no ill aspects in it, no conjunction of bad Planets one with another, but is wholly and solely compos'd for the Meridian of mirth.

And if instructions we from Proverbs borrow,

An ounce of Mirth is worth a pound of sorrow.

But let us see how the Stars stand affected in this our Scheme, *Jupiter* is Lord of the tenth House, this portends that *Coffee-Houses* (the Mint of Intelligence, and Forge of Lies) shall be much frequented; and many a pragmatrick *Fop* spend his six pence there at drinking *Ninny-bush* over night, that knows not where to get a Dinner next day. *Posse* shall have such an ambition to drink Sack, as shall cause such holes in the bottoms of their Pockets, that the Money is no sooner in, but it falls out. *Saturn* is in a Trine in the cusp of *Taurus*; This presages, that where there are Fights at Sea, it will be a great affrightment of the *Dolphin*, and quite spoil the Musick of the *Siren*. Womens Tongues shall be like to Sieves, they shall hold nothing they have power to vend. That in chasing Wives is great care to be had. For,

Ladies may lard their Husbands Heads,

Widows will Woodcocks make,

And Chamber-Maids of Serving-Men

Learn that they'll ne're forsake.

Next, If we consider the position of *Saturn*, and how he stands affected to *Mercury*, we shall find that there will be a general desire amongst all sorts of people for the finger-ring of Money; for that will buy good Sack, command others, make the Maids to go, and the old Wife to trot; For it, the Poet Write, the Prisoners Print, the Book-sellers keep open Shop, the Merchants adventures to cross the Seas, the Soldier fights, and the Husbandman toils. O that I were markt out to converse with those

Angels,

Angels, how Noble would I be in spending of my Crowns.

By this Scheme also you may calculate upon Nativities, and tell Childrens Fortunes, as did one of our Faculty, who told a Gentleman, that his Son should be a Man-killer, and afterwards hang'd for it. Who after prov'd a great and rich Physician, and with great fame hang'd up in Picture in the University. Another of our *Sehemists* foretold, that a Peasants Boy should be a Drunkard, and get his Living from Gawds, Whores, Thieves, Quarrellers, and the like; who afterwards became a Suburb Justice, and lived in Wine and Worship by the Fees he raked out of such Delinquents. Thus you see what may be done by a Scheme, and that Astrologers are a people which send their Spyes to see what's done in every Sphere, Keeping their State-Intelligences there.

*Jupiter* in a Trine of *Mars*, gives you good counsel, That if you marry a Widow, marry one whose first Husband was hang'd, then shall you be safe nor to be twitted by him. *Libra* being in the Ascendant, poor people are not like to get Surfeits with over much feeding on Partridge, Pheasant, and Larks. O the direful effects of Love and Pease Porridge, the one breaks the Heart, the other the Belly; therefore take a care whom you fancy, and how you feed. I cannot find by the Stars that any people shall be choaked with eating of Custard, but some who have neither honest Finger nor Thumb, may happen to be choaked with a Hampen Squinancy. Where Men have extraordinary good Stomachs, there is likely to be a great confusion of powder'd Beef and Carrots. In the seventh House we find *Mars* Erected, and *Venus* Rampant, what then can be expected, but that some men shall be so dim-sighted, they shall not discern their Neighbours Wives from their own. Some shall do that in a Tavern they shall repent at Tyburn. Others (with *Merippus*) shall go down to Hell to seek content, and some (with *Dice* the Bawd in *Terence*) shall not be ashamed of the basest actions, if they bring them in profit. To conclude, We shall have a plentiful Year, if all things

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be chasp; a dry Summer if we have no rain, a health-  
ful Spring if no body be sick, and a quiet time on't, if  
we have no Railings, Scolding, nor Brawling.

### *Signs of Blustering Weather.*

When Women call a Scolding as soon as they are up,  
calling one another by the laudable Names of Bawd, Slut,  
and Whore: When Men stay out a day and a night at the  
Ale-house, and at last come drunken home to their  
Wives. When a buxom young Widow refuses the pro-  
ffer of a rich Husband. All these are Signs of Blustering  
Weather.

### *Signs of Fair Weather.*

When Brokers make them mourning Suits at the death  
of their honesty. When Usurers throw their Money a-  
bout the Streets for Boys to scramble with. When Maids  
simper on their Sweet Hearts like a Fumilly Kettle, and  
you hear the smack of their kissing a quarter of a mile off.  
When these things come to pass, know it for true,  
Assuredly Fair Weather will ensue.

### *How to make the Philosopher's Stone.*

Take 2 quarts of the Oyl that is squeezed out of a Flint,  
mingled with a pint of Hen's Milk, put to it the left eye of  
a flying Toad, dried, and beaten to powder; add there-  
to the soft Row of a live Red Herring, with two ounces of  
the infusion of a Tench of the Mountains: Let these boyl  
four hours over a Fire made of Isickley, then strain it  
through a Deal board, and when it is cold, it turns to  
the Philosophers Stone.

### *Necessary Rules and Observations for Husbandmen.*

Kind Country-man, who ere thou be,  
Attentive Ear give unto me;  
And I such things shall to thee tell,  
Which if thou dost, thou shalt do well:  
First then I'th Morn, when thou do'st rise,  
Thy Prayers said, and wash thine Eyes;  
Then make a Fire if Air be cold,  
To warm thy Hands, and Toast to hold

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Unto the same : Next take a Pot,  
And fill the same up to the top  
Of nappy Ale, which being set down,  
Then put the Toast therein so brown:  
And that there may be nothing lost,  
Drink up the Ale, and eat the Toast.  
This having done, I guess you may  
Fast till such time it is mid-day:  
But *Sel* his Race having half run,  
And that thy Forenoons work is done,  
When that thy Guts begin to chime,  
Leave Work a while, and go to dine:  
For Ancient Proverb true doth say,  
Meat must be had, but Work may stay.

But all Men do not alike go  
To Dinner, Plough-Men dine at Two;  
School Boys when Clock doth strike Eleven,  
Tradesmen at Twelve, and sup at Seven:  
Others there be no time do set,  
But Dine when Victuals they can get:  
And some their pittance is so small,  
They can no Dinner get at all.

Now if your Stomach is not right,  
Dine upon roasted Meat, that's light,  
As Mallard, Capon, Swan, or Pullet,  
With which I wish you fill your Gullet:  
But Stomach good, 'twill find relief  
On Mutton, Pork, or Powder'd Beef:  
Nay rather than a Meal to leese,  
Be satisfied with Bread and Cheese.

Make no long tarrance at thy Meat,  
Eat for to live, not live to eat:  
Though hunger-starv'd to work bad be,  
Gorg'd Belly is as bad as he:  
As *Tusser* very well doth say,  
A Bit or two, and so away.

With Dinner having eat thy fill,  
You well may fast Supper until:

But if i'th mean time you should lack o  
To May your Stomach, take Tobacco;  
For as our Ancient Sages say,  
Tobacco Stomach takes away.

When So! declines unto the Wall,  
Return thee home to take thy rest;  
Where having Sleep, and Quietude,  
To spare thy Candle, go to Bed;  
For those good Wits, which make that mark,  
Lye down with Ease, and without Care.

But if thou think it thou canst not sleep,  
Thy Counsel good, is thou it best to do;  
When as that thou to Bed do'st go,  
Drink of Sack Posset, quart, or two;  
It will cause thee sleep, and banish sorrow,  
And make thee fresh to life next Morning;  
If thou with care do follow this advice,  
Thou need'st not fear to do amiss.

### Advertisements

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First called *Garage Fair*, on Friday before *St. Andrew's*  
day. The Second on the 14 of May. The Third on *St. John's*  
Tuesday. The Fourth on the 14 of July. The Fifth on the 13 of  
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by *R. Collins*, at the Bell on the Dutch Lane near *St. Paul's*  
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